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Dear Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 18, 2002, reconsideration and allowance of the present Application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**AMENDMENTS**

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**In the Claims**

Please replace claims 34 and 35 with the following:

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34. A modular vault of claim 33, wherein a plurality of hooks are integrally formed into the seamless housing body for facilitating hoisting the seamless housing body.
35. A modular vault of claim 33, wherein there are more than two side walls.
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Please add the following new claims: